# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
# LOK SABHA

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ANIMAL RIGHT RULES HINDERING RESEARCH
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**Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether it is a fact that medical research has come to a virtual stand still due to the imposition of numerous curbs on animal experimentation as reported in the `Times of India` dated March 22, 2002;

(b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to resolve the matter so that the medical experiments are not affected?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a)to(c): The guidelines/Rules issued by the Committee for the Purpose of Control and Supervision of Experimentation on Animals (CPCSEA) for regulating experiments on animals for production of drugs, testing of vaccine/ante-sera etc. is causing concern among bio-medical research scientists as some of the provisions of the Rules are hampering medical research particularly in the areas relating to development of new drugs. The contentious issues are being considered in the Committee of Secretaries.